

21. (New) A color monitor comprising a color picture tube including a multipole unit that includes:

a support tube having a stop on its outer circumference,

a retaining ring,

a spring element, and

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at least one magnetic ring, wherein said at least one magnetic ring is attached to the support tube, and the spring element is provided between the retaining ring and the stop on the outer circumference of the support tube, and

wherein the spring element acts in axial direction and is integrated in one of the stop and the retaining ring.

REMARKS

Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested. Claims 1 and 5-6 have been amended. New claims 10-21 have been added. Claims 1-21 are pending in the application. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested in light of the foregoing amendments and the remarks that follow.

1. Amendments to the Specification

At the Examiner's suggestion, the specification has been amended to change the title to the suggested title. In addition, "description" has been deleted before the title.

2. Objection to the Drawings

The drawings stand objected to because they lack a spring element integrated in the stop. The applicant respectfully disagrees that the objection is necessary. Claim 1 does *not* positively require that the spring element must be integrated in *both* the stop and the retaining ring. Instead, it must be integrated in *either* the stop *or* the retaining ring. The spring element is shown in the figures as being integrated in the retaining ring 2. Hence, the literal subject of the claim, i.e., a spring element integrated in either the stop or the retaining ring, is illustrated. Since applicant is unaware of any provision requiring that *all* permutations of a claimed device must be illustrated, he submits that the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.83(a) are met. Accordingly, withdrawal of this objection is requested.

3. Rejection Under §112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1-9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, ¶2. Claim 1 has been amended as follows.

wherein said at least one magnetic ring is attached ~~being attachable~~
to the support tube,

Claim 1 has also been amended to correct minor typographical errors found upon a review of the application. Specifically, two extra spaces were deleted from the claim. Claims 2-9 depend from claim 1.

Claims 5 and 6 were amended as follows.

wherein the spring element comprises at least two, ~~preferably four~~
spring legs

New claims 10 and 11 are presented that require this deleted limitation, i.e., these claims require “four spring legs.”

In light of the amendment and the foregoing arguments, withdrawal of this rejection of claims 1-9 is requested.

In addition, new claims 12-21 are presented herein and are in better conformance with preferred U.S. Patent Office practice. New claims 12-19 track original claims 1-6. New claims 20-21 track original claim 9, with a color television set recited in claim 20 and a color monitor recited in claim 21.

4. Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the indication that claim 1 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection under §112, ¶2. Claim 1 has been so amended.

Applicant also gratefully acknowledges the indication that claims 2-9 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 1 is believed to be allowable for overcoming the rejection under §112, ¶2. Therefore, claims 2-9 have not been rewritten

in independent form, as they, too, are believed to be allowable as depending from an allowable claim.

CONCLUSION

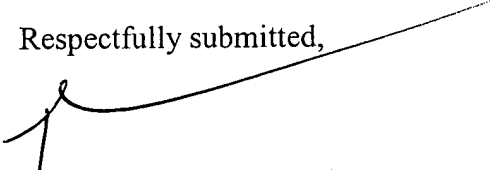
It is submitted that original claims 1-9 are in compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112 and each define patentable subject matter. New claims 10-21 are also believed to be in form for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$84 in payment of the fee associated with the submission of one independent claim in excess of three by a large entity. No other fee is believed to be payable with this communication. Nevertheless, should the Examiner consider any other fees to be payable in conjunction with this or any future communication, the Director is authorized to direct payment of such fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1170.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Amended Specification Paragraphs

In the title:

Description

Multipole Unit for a Color Picture Tube with Integrated Spring Element

Amended Claims

1. (Amended) A multipole unit for a color picture tube comprising:

a support tube, a retaining ring and at least one magnetic ring,

wherein said at least one magnetic ring is attached ~~being attachable~~ to the support tube,
and a spring element is provided between the retaining ring and a stop on the outer
circumference of the support tube-, and wherein said spring element acts in axial
direction and is integrated in the stop -or the retaining ring.

5. (Amended) A multipole unit according to claim 1, wherein the spring element
comprises at least two, ~~preferably four~~ spring legs which are uniformly distributed over
the circumference of the support tube.

6. (Amended) A multipole unit according to claim 2, wherein the spring element comprises at least two, ~~preferably four~~ spring legs which are uniformly distributed over the circumference of the support tube.